GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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ALLOCATION OF POWER FOR AGRICULTRUE SECTOR
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage share of the agriculture sector in the consumption of power in the country as a whole and its perportion vis-Ã -vis industrial consumption of power;

(b) the initiative taken by the Government to increase consumption of power in the field of agricultures;

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the power generation capacity in new sector;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED)

(a) : The percentage share of agriculture sector and industrial sector in the consumption of power in the country as a whole during 2003-04 is estimated is under:

Category	Consumption during 2003-04 (MUs)	% of total consumption in 2003-04
Agriculture	87,089.25	24.13
Industrial	1,24,573.07	34.51
All India Total	3,60,937.24	

(b) : Electricity being a concurrent subject, supply and distribution of electricity in a State is the responsibility of the State Government/State Power Utility concerned which decides the priorities of power supply to various categories of consumers/areas in the State. Government of India have however taken several other initiatives to provide more electricity to farmers through village electrification and pump sets energization programmes. Rural Electrification has also been included in Pradhan Mantri Gramodaya Yojana (PMGY).

(c) to (e) : A capacity addition of 41,110 MW has been targeted for 10th Five Year Plan consisting of 22,832 MW in Central Sector, 11,157 MW in State Sector and 7,121 MW in Private Sector.